

A photograph of a series of white wind turbines standing on a grassy mountain ridge. The sun is setting in the background, creating a warm orange and yellow glow over the landscape. The sky is a mix of blue and orange. The turbines are arranged in a line, receding into the distance. The foreground shows the texture of the grass and the silhouette of the turbines.

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The World in 2018

7.8 billion people

1 in 12

over 65 years

55%

living in urban areas

1.9 billion

population living under
water stress

31%

forests cover land area

20 MWh

energy consumption / capita

330 Mt

plastics produced p/a
= 825 Mt CO₂ / e

8.4 billion

connected devices
(IOT explosion)

**AI & machine
learning**

increased optimisation,
efficiency & new jobs

The World in 2048

9.6 billion people

1 in 6

over 65 years

66%

living in urban areas

3.9 billion

population living under water
stress

39%

forests cover land areas

100%

increase in energy prod.
(1/3 for transportation)

Biomaterials

proliferation of
bio-based innovation,
plastics substitution etc.

100 billion

connected devices
IOT surge continues

Digital representations
of most aspects of our
world (MR), connected
dynamically by real-world
counterparts...



MEGATRENDS

Threats and related opportunities



**SURGING
POPULATION AND
URBANIZATION**



CLIMATE CHANGE



**DECLINING NATURAL
RESOURCES**

Threats to opportunities



**URGENCY TO DESIGN
SUSTAINABLE
SOLUTIONS**



**ENVIRONMENT
CONSCIOUSNESS**



**DIGITALIZATION AND
TECHNOLOGICAL
ADVANCES**



**CHANGING CONCEPT
OF OWNERSHIP**



Circular Economy

WHAT DRIVES CIRCULAR ECONOMY?

- Over consumption of natural resources
- New generations of consumers
- Urbanization
- Tightening legislation
- Technological advancement & digitalization

WHAT NEEDS TO HAPPEN?

- Strong leadership in governments and large businesses to step out of the comfort zone and change the political and business environment
- Stepping out of the comfort zone in design and planning – we need to plan things differently, to design waste out
- Traditional linear business models need to be changed to circular business models
- Innovation and use of enablers via technological development



4th Industrial Revolution

SIMULTANEOUS REVOLUTIONS

- Digital technologies revolution with A.I. as one spearhead
- Materials revolution with e.g. graphene as an example
- Mutual enabling – “braided revolutions”
- Digital platforms enable development of new materials
- New materials enable faster and smaller digital platforms and better hardware for digital tech
- An evolutionary spiral of mutually reinforcing revolutions

CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

- With deep specialization, very few people understand even a fraction of the new technologies
- Putting together the new inventions like “lego blocks” into even more fantastic creations is possible, if you know what blocks you have at your disposal
- Again, digitalization can help us keep track of and combine the digital and material innovations
- One big challenge: if only the machines understand the new technology, are we back to medieval times, using “magic” boxes without understanding them



Circular Bioeconomy

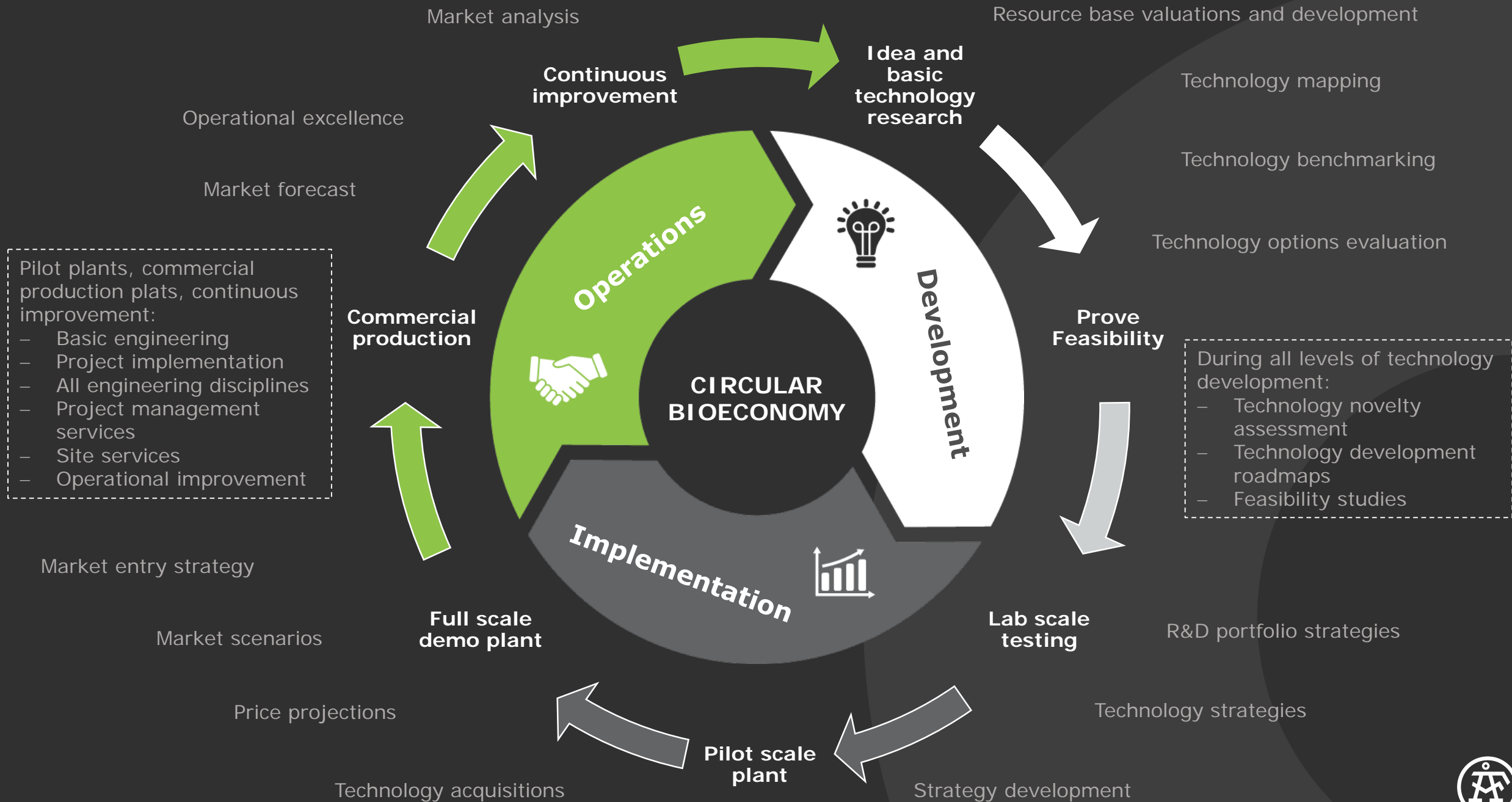
WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

- Circular economy and bioeconomy are strongly linked together
- By extending the lifetime of products and recycling materials, a circular, bio-economy approach can help retain material value for longer time
- With bio based production we can decrease the environmental harm non-renewable production fossil-based economy causes

CHALLENGES AND DRIVERS

- Bioeconomy can be quite resource intensive and increasing demand for food, biomaterials and bioenergy resources could worsen the over-exploitation of natural resources
- Traditional linear business models need to be changed to circular business models and industrial symbiosis is an important element
- There are several drivers towards circular bioeconomy - including strong policy measures





Your ideas matter

- Young people joining the business world have a **greater opportunity than ever before to effect change** and drive companies towards a more sustainable future
- **Students have the power** to lead a consultancy company forward with fresh ideas
- To leverage the power of **innovative thinking and social media**, go ahead and share your idea with me via Twitter, LinkedIn or Instagram
- You will be invited to discuss your idea with my **team of experts** and we will write a LinkedIn article about it
- **So here's to the challenge....**



MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Sahara Reforestation

- Sahara reforestation is quite topical question at the moment in Finland
- ÅF Pöyry has a world-class forestry knowledge and we are currently planning and building a seawater desalination plant in Saudi-Arabia
- **What is your idea that will enable the Sahara Reforestation vision to become reality?**
- Share your ideas with me via social media:
 - Twitter: **@Martin_aPorta**
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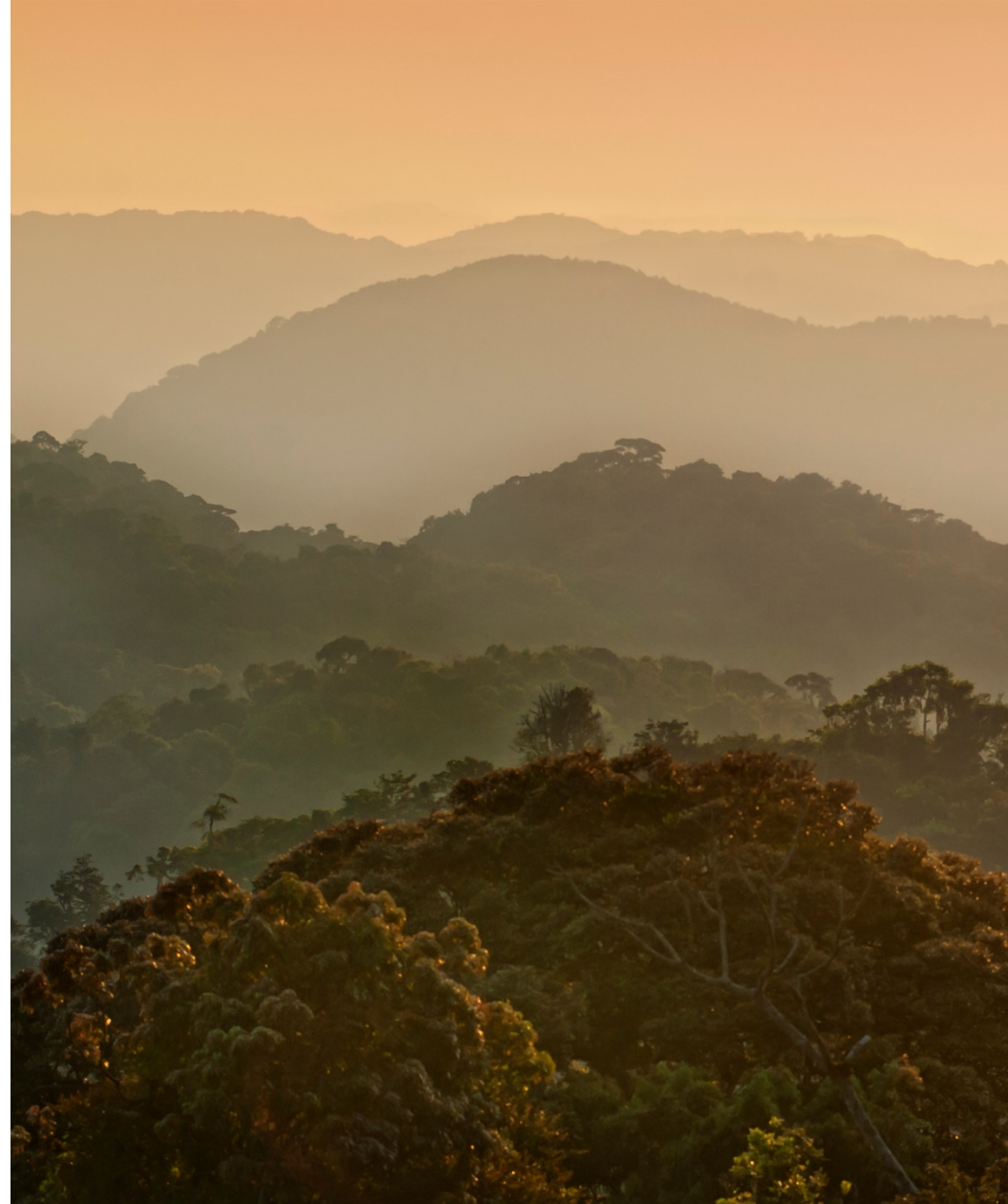
THE FUTURE CAN BE BRIGHT

Win-win-win

Future industry has the potential to benefit all parties...

- Companies can profit because waste generates value
- Individuals can benefit from a more profitable economy
- Future generations can benefit from a protected global environment

So there is even more opportunity for the creative minds at TAMK to put together amazing tools that can truly solve global problems





Innovation is the specific instrument of entrepreneurship. The act that endows resources with a new capacity to create wealth.

- Peter Drucker

Making Future.

